



BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL WILL H. PHILLIPS III

Colonel Will H. Phillips III is the Deputy Joint Base Commander and Commander, 627th Air Base Group, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. As Deputy Joint Base Commander, he is responsible with the Joint Base Commander for an organization comprised of 4,475 military and civilian personnel that supports more than 350 units and an installation population of 44,209 military, 15,240 civilian and contract employees, and 54,465 family members within 414,000 acres. Along with the Joint Base Commander, he manages an annual budget of \$438 million and is responsible for installation management, facility maintenance and construction, environmental protection, housing, emergency management, communication systems, security and law enforcement, fire protection, dining, lodging, recreational services, human resources management, supply, and vehicle fleet management. As Commander, 627th Air Base Group, he is responsible for organizing, training and equipping more than 800 Airmen in five squadrons and the Chaplain and Equal Opportunity offices to execute installation support at home station and provide Expeditionary Combat Support to military operations worldwide.



Colonel Phillips graduated from Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas and received his commission through Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corp in May 1993. He is a career logistics readiness officer and has served in various key base-level positions to include commanding an aerial port squadron, an expeditionary logistics readiness squadron, and was a deputy commander for a mission support group. Colonel Phillips completed his joint staff tour as a logistics planner at United States Strategic Command at Offutt AFB, Nebraska. He then attended Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama. Prior to his current position, he was the Director of Logistics at Seven Air Force, Osan AB, ROK.

EDUCATION:

- 1993 Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing, Texas Tech University
- 1996 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, AL.
- 1997 Master of Science Degree, Human Resource Management, Chapman University
- 2003 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL (Non-Resident)
- 2005 Masters of Operational Science, Mobility Management, Air Force Institute of Technology, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Fort Dix, NJ
- 2006 JPME Phase II, Joint Forces Staff College, VA
- 2008 Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base, AL (Non-Resident)
- 2014 Masters of Science Degree, Strategic Studies, Air War College, Air University, Maxwell AFB, AL

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. July 1993 – July 1994, Assistant Regional Director of Admissions, AFROTC Det 835, University of North Texas, TX

2. July 1994 – September 1996, Traffic Management Officer, 47th Logistics Squadron, Laughlin Air Force Base, TX
3. September 1996 – December 1998, Assistant Flight Commander, Transportation, 615th Air Mobility Operations Squadron, Travis AFB, CA
4. December 1998 – December 1999, Commander, Combat Readiness and Resources Flight, 8th Transportation Squadron, Kunsan AB, ROK
5. December 1999 – April 2001, Flight Commander, Aircraft Services, 62d Aerial Port Squadron, McChord AFB, WA
6. April 2001 – July 2002, Chief Executive Officer, 62d Operations Group, McChord AFB, WA
7. August 2002 – April 2004, Headquarters United States Air Force SAF Logistics Career Broadening Officer, Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, GA
8. May 2004 – June 2005, Student, Advanced Studies of Air Mobility, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Fort Dix, NJ
9. July 2005 – June 2006, Joint Transportation Staff Officer, Headquarters United States Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, NB
10. June 2006 – June 2008, chief, sensor system sustainment, Headquarters United States Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, NB
11. June 2008 – June 2010, commander, 62d Aerial Port Squadron, Joint Base Lewis McChord, WA
12. July 2010 – July 2011, Commander, 376th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, Kyrgyz Republic
13. August 2011 – June 2013, Deputy Commander, 100th Mission Support Group, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England
14. July 2013 – May 2014, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, AL
15. June 2014 – July 2015, 7 AF/A4, Director of Logistics, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.
16. August 2015 – Present, commander, 627 ABG & Deputy Joint Base Commander, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA

SUMMARY OF JOINT ASSIGNMENTS

1. July 2005 – June 2006, Joint Transportation Staff officer, Headquarters United States Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, NB
2. June 2006 – June 2008, Chief, Sensor System Sustainment, Headquarters United States Strategic Command, Offutt AFB, NB

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Meritorious Service Medal
 Meritorious Service Medal with five oak leaf clusters
 Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters
 Joint Service Achievement Medal
 Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
 Humanitarian Service Medal
 NATO Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant	12 June 1993
First Lieutenant	12 June 1995
Captain	12 June 1997
Major	1 November 2003
Lieutenant Colonel	1 November 2008
Colonel	1 February 2015

(Current as of August 2015)